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Great Strides in Athletics This Season Speaks Well of Condition of Youth in City

The great enthusiasm for athletics which has characterized the past summer in Prince Rupert speaks well for the healthy condition of the youth of the city. Never before did the place have so many organized leagues and so many active players. Good clean sport among the boys of all ages has gained a foothold that it never had before.

This summer there have been three baseball leagues—Senior, Junior and Juvenile. Each league had three teams, with a total of over one hundred players actively engaged. Football has taken just as important a place as baseball. There have been two football leagues, Junior and Senior, the former with three teams and the latter with four. Close on to one hundred soccerists also took part in the season's schedules. Sixteen Teams.

The following were the various teams which constituted the leagues:

City League Baseball—Sons of Canada, Elks and Red Sox. Junior League Baseball—Tiny Tims (champions), King Edwards and Dry Docks. Juvenile League Baseball—Falcens (champions), Midgets, and Cubs.

Senior League Football—Sons of Canada (champions), Callies, Sons of England and Great War Veterans. Junior League Football—Dry Docks (champions), Athletics and Merchants.

Sport in the city cannot be mentioned this year without referring to the great achievements of the Sons of Canada. The fast teams of the society right through the season, have captured every trophy for which they played. They made an unbeaten record at football. But the Sons of Canada did not win because their opponents were weak for they were given good competition all the time.

Looking Outside.

With a highly successful local season behind them, Prince Rupert baseball players are now looking to the outside for opposition and next week they are to get all they want of it. Prince George, Anyox and Ocean Falls each claim that they have better teams and the former two will attempt to prove it during the Fair. The local men are saying little but they are confident of their abilities and are not expecting to be beaten.

Soon the winter season, when basketball is featured, will be here. It looks now as if there will be more teams and players entered than there will be either time or room to accommodate. Like the summer, the approaching winter's activities promise to eclipse anything in the history of the city.

Immediate Necessities.

The citizens are taking a great interest in athletics and are supporting it well. "Play grounds and more play grounds" has become a general cry and, although the city has this year built a new playground at Sixth Avenue and McBride Street and is putting up a handball court on Fulton Street, it will have to do a lot more very soon. It is doubtful if the necessity for supporting athletics and sport has ever before been impressed on the citizens as it has been this season. The improvement of present buildings and grounds and the establishment of a gymnasium and a Y. M. C. A. are live questions—ones that will have to be dealt with immediately and on which action will have to be taken.

TWO LADY CHAMPIONS WILL MEET AT GOLF IN OTTAWA TOURNEY

TORONTO, Sept. 9.—Miss Alexa Stirling has been entered in the Canadian Women's Golf Championship tournament which will take place at the Rivermead Golf Club at Ottawa on September 19. She will have to meet Miss Cecil Leitch, English champion, in defending her Canadian title this year.

BABE RUTH EQUALS THE WORLD RECORD FOR SEASON HONORS

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 10.—Babe Ruth equalled his world's record of 54 homers against Philadelphia yesterday. He established that record on Sept. 29 last year.

SONS OF CANADA WINNERS AGAIN

Defeated Great War Veterans in First of Exhibition Series Last Night, 4 to 1.

The Sons of Canada defeated the Great War Veterans by a score of 4 to 1 in the first game of the Exhibition series last night, thus gaining the right to play with the winners of today's game between the Sons of England and the Callies in the finals for the sweaters on Wednesday afternoon. The attendance at the match last evening was very poor, there being but 156 who paid at the gate. This was the third lowest of the season.

The first half of the game was well played and evenly contested, both teams being keen for victory. The Vets started off with the slope in their favor and snappy play characterized the opening. At half time the score stood one to one, Moffat having scored for the Sons and Sid Hardy for the Vets with one of the prettiest goal shots of the season. Play was even in this period.

Players Put Off.

When the teams reversed position in the second half, the Canadians began to get the best of it and by the time they had scored their third goal, the Vets were showing signs of losing heart. Uncalled for comment from the side-sline lines tended to make acrimonious feeling between the teams, and Harding, of the Vets, and Robinson, of the Sons, were banished from the field for unseemly conduct. The former struck a man and the latter crossed with Referee McCulloch. The goal getters in this half were Jimmie Mitchell and E. Warren, the latter a new man, registering twice. Mitchell's point was the result of a spectacular drive down the field in the course of which two Vets' defence men were passed. At the goal mouth, Goalie Brice fumbled and Mitchell, steadying himself, made the score.

Good Defense.

Good defence work for the most of the game was noticeable on either side, the goal keeping being especially efficient. Howard Frizzell made his first appearance in senior company and played splendidly at goal. Jack Stewart, left full back for the Vets, proved the mainstay of his team all the way through and saved them from losing by a greater margin than they did. D. Wiggins, outside left, also played in stellar form. Les Lane, outside left for the Sons, and E. Warren, forward, possibly made the best showing for their side.

Officials and Players.

W. McCulloch was referee and A. Clapperton and J. N. Kelly acted as linesmen. The teams lined up as follows: Sons of Canada—H. Frizzell; V. Menzies and H. Menzies; James Mitchell, J. Shakespeare and W. Anderson; Lane, E. Warren, Moffat, Clarke and Robinson. Great War Veterans—Brice; Gardiner and J. Stewart; Harding, A. Craggs and W. Ross; Boote, Mercer, S. Hardy, Wiggins and Lumsden.

BASEBALL SCORES

National League
Philadelphia, 0; Boston, 2.
Brooklyn, 2; New York, 6.
Chicago, 8; Pittsburgh, 5.
St. Louis, 3; Cincinnati, 10.
American League
New York, 14; Philadelphia, 5.
Boston, 5; Washington, 1.
Detroit, 15; Chicago, 20.
Coast League
Vernon, 9-4; Oakland, 7-5.
Sacramento, 8; Salt Lake, 7.
San Francisco, 3-0; Los Angeles, 4-8.
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TORONTO GOALIE FOR SCOTLAND

Has Accepted Offer from Bob Connell to Play in Old Country.

MONTREAL, Sept. 10.—Halliwell, the soccer goal keeper of Toronto, made such a favorable impression on the touring Scottish players that he has received and accepted an offer of Bob Connell, who managed the tour, to go to the Old Country to play. No clubs are mentioned. Halliwell is leaving today.

AMERICANS BEAT BRITISH AT GOLF

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 9.—Chick Evans, national amateur champion, and Bob McDonald, open champion, defeated George Duncan and Abe Mitchell, British professionals, in an exhibition golf game here.

BATTING LEVINSKY WINNER AT QUEBEC

Former Light Heavyweight Champion Won Close Battle From Sergeant Ray Smith.

QUEBEC, Sept. 9.—Battling Levinsky, former world's light heavyweight boxing champion, won by a shade over Sergeant Ray Smith in a ten round contest here last night.

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